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Dear Honorable DOJ,

I am an Information Technologist of nearly twenty years experience.

It is my humble opinion that Microsoft have 'the book' thrown at them for their consistant obstruction and abuse with technological progress.

Their sheer and overwhelming power dictates Information Technology policy at American business' at a great cost - similar only to a heroin dealer luring potential addicts and doing whatever possible to retain power over the user through manipulating standards, pricing and practices - then by releasing dangerously flawed techology with the hopes that 'next time' it will be better.

The sheer number of security holes, comparatively over priced software, predatory practices without concern for true innovation and the complete abuse of all that is good in this country disgusts me.

Please don't let them get away with this again. There are many great companies in the US that need to grow, but Microsoft is taking all the sunlight and water away.

Respectfully yours,

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